City of Alamo Heights BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

December 3, 2008

The Board of Adjustment held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Council Chambers at 6120 Broadway on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 5:30 p.m.

Members present and composing a quorum of the Board:

Bill Orr - Chairman

Susan Wilson -Vice Chair

Gregg Chislett

Grant McFarland

Members Absent:

Hall Hammond, Alternate

Andrew Herdeg, Alternate

Staff Members Present:

Gracie Flores, Community Development Representative

Kathy Rodriguez, Community Development Coordinator

Nathan Lester, Building Official

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Orr at 5:30 p.m.

CASE NO. 1997

135 Barilla Pl., Archdiocese of San Antonio, owners of St. Peter Prince of the Apostles Church, are requesting a variance (after the fact) of 2 ft. to provide an 8 ft. fence wall height along the rear and side property lines instead of the 6 ft. maximum on a property zoned MF-D.

JoAnn Fielden, 143 Barilla Pl., stated that she is in favor for the fence because it blocks most of the parking lot view from her kitchen window. Ms. Becky Finley, St. Peter School Business Manager, explained that they wanted to accommodate Ms. Fielden since she is adjacent to the school parking lot.

A motion was made by Mr. McFarland to approve Case Number 1997 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chislett.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Orr, Wilson, Chislett, McFarland

AGAINST: None

CASE NO. 1998

119 Encino Ave., James and Joan Drought, owners, are requesting a variance of 10 ft. to provide a 20 ft. front yard setback instead of the minimum 30 ft. required on a property zoned SF-A.

Mr. Mac Chesney, architect, explained to the Board that after demolition of the existing structure, it was discovered that a heritage tree was in closer proximity to the proposed construction. Mr. Chesney explained that the owners wanted to protect the tree and felt that variance was needed to do so. The impact to the critical root zone and options such as bridging were discussed.

A motion was made by Mr. McFarland to approve Case No. 1998 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wilson.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Orr, Wilson, Chislett, McFarland

AGAINST: None

Ms. Wilson made a motion to continue the November 5, 2008 minutes to the January 7, 2009 Board of Adjustment meeting. Mr. Chislett seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Orr, Wilson, Chislett, McFarland

AGAINST: None

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Bill Orr, Chairman

Date Signed & Filed

Gradie Flores

Recording Secretary